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E.O. 11652: GDS

SUBJECT: DISASTER RELIEF FOR MAURITIUS

FROM AMBASSADOR MANHARD

REF: A) CINCPACFLT MAKALAPA HI 090657Z FEB 75

B) CINCUSNAVEUR LONDON UK 091050Z FEB 75

1. GOM CABINET MET THIS MORNING CHAIRED BY PM RAMGOOLAM. FOLLOWING
ARE GOM DECISIONS/PREFERENCES IN GENERAL TERMS RE USN SHIP VISITS
FOR DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE:

A) PREFER ONE SHIP AT A TIME BECAUSE OF LIMITED GOM CAPACITY
TO COORDINATE AND ABSORB AID.

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B) PREFER CONVENTIONAL POWERED SHIPS FIRST, BUT IF NUCLEAR
POWERED SHIPS IN POSITION TO ARRIVE FIRST GOM HAS NO
OBJECTIONS.

C) DESIRE ASSISTANCE FROM SHIPS WITH LARGEST TECHNICAL/
MANPOWER CAPABILITY.

D) BELIEVE SMALLER DESTROYERS NOT AS USEFUL AS LARGER SHIPS.

E) DESIRE HELO CAPABILITY, PERHAPS TWO TO FOUR AIRCRAFT,
PREFERABLY WITH CARGO LIFT CAPABILITY.

2. IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING I CONSIDER WE HAVE DIPLOMATIC
CLEARANCE FOR TIME-PHASED VISIT BY ALL SHIPS TG 77.7. REQUEST
ENTERPRISE PLAN ANCHOR 1700 (LOCAL TIME) 11 FEB IN PORT LOUIS
OUTER ROADSTEAD. REMAINDER OF TG SHIPS TO REMAIN IN VICINITY
WITH TIME PHASING OF THEIR VISITS TO BE DETERMINED LATER.

3. REQUEST RADM HARRIS AND ADVANCE PARTY ARRIVE PLAISANCE AIRPORT
APPROXIMATELY 1400 11 FEB LOCAL TIME VIA ONE C1A AIRCRAFT.

4. I AM NOW PROCEEDING OBTAIN SPECIFIC CLEARANCES FOR ENTERPRISE
AND RADM HARRIS AIRCRAFT LANDING AT PLAISANCE AND WILL CONFIRM
TO ALCON ASAP.

5. FOR CINCUSNAVEUR AND COMIDEASTFOR: DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR
ADDITIONAL OFFER ASSISTANCE BY COMIDEASTFOR SHIPS BUT IN VIEW
OF PARA ONE ABOVE BELIEVE COMIDEASTFOR INPUT NOT PRACTICAL OR
ABSORBABLE AT THIS TIME.
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